



ABSTRACT

Public Services – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal, Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Karimnagar District (now retired) – Charges held Proved – Penalty of withholding of 10% pension for a period of two (2) years besides recovery of misappropriated amount of Rs.68,759/- under Rule-9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Imposed – Orders – Issued.

DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DISABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS (ESTT)

G.O.Ms.No.4,

Dated:03-02-2021.

Read the following:-

1. From the Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens, Hyderabad, Letter No.A/994/2018, dated 02.02.2019.
2. Govt.Memo No.552/Esst.A2/2019, dated 21.01.2020.
3. Explanation dated10.02.2020 of Charged Officer SriI.Mallesham, Principal (Retired).
4. Govt.Memo No.552/Esst.A2/2019, dated20.08.2020.
5. Explanation dated01.09.2020 of Charged Officer Sri I.Mallesham, Principal (Retired).
6. Govt.Letter No.552/Esst.A2/2019, dated 25.09.2020.
7. From the Principal Secretary, TSPSC, Nampally, Hyderabad, Lr.No.286/RT/TSPSC/2020, dated 16.01.2021.

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ORDER:

The Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens, Hyderabad in her letter 1st read above, has reported that based on the surprise check conducted on 31.03.2003 by the ACB Officials, disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal at Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Hindupur, Ananthapur district [now retired], for the following charges:-

Charge No-I:Sri I.Mallesham, the Principal has marked present in the attendance register for 90 students who were found absent on 31.3.2003. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APSCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge No-II:Certain provisions were in excess and certain other provisions fell short of book balance which prove the falsification of accounts and misappropriation of provisions by the Principal. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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Charge No-III:On physical verification of Braille sheets with stock register it was found that the Principal had drawn an amount of Rs.64000/- for the purchase of Braille sheets to the blind students for the year 1997 to 2003 and supplied only Braille sheets worth Rs.27000/- and misappropriated the remaining amounts of Rs.37,000/-. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge No-IV:The chicken, eggs and plantains which were prescribed to be served to the students were not actually served but shown as served in stock register which proves the falsification of accounts and misappropriation of funds by the Principal. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge No-V:He had drawn HRA for himself from December, 1997 to June, 1998, January, 2000 to May, 2000 and December, 2000 to February, 2003 and stayed in Government quarters. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge No-VI:He had drawn HRA for his staff members viz., Sri K.VenkateswarRao, SG Teacher, from Dec.1998 to March, 2003, K.SrinivasaRao, SG Teacher from December, 1998 to March, 2003, Smt.J.Jhansi, Staff Nurse from March, 1999 to March, 2003, A.Anand, Attender from December, 1988 to March, 2003 and B.ChandraBahadur, Night Watchman from January, 1992 to March, 2003 though they all stayed in Government quarters. Thus, he committed grave misconduct and in as much as he failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and sense of propriety in violation of Rule 3(1)(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. Dr. A.Madhusudhan Reddy, IAS (Retd), Commissioner of Inquires, who was appointed as Inquiring Authority, has conducted an O.E. and submitted inquiry report dated 12.05.2006 holding the charges except charge No.4, have 'Proved' against the charged officer.
3. The Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens, Hyderabad has further reported that an amount of Rs.68,759/- has to be recovered from said charged officer, the same was also confirmed by the Government of Andhra Pradesh, as the incident had taken place at Hindupur, Ananthapur District. Since the charged officer had retired from service on 31.07.2018 on attaining the age of superannuation , the entire O.E. records forwarded to Government for taking further action under Rule-9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980.
4. In the reference 2nd read above, the enquiry report has been communicated to the charged officer calling his explanation on charges held proved, in turn the charged officer in reference 3rdcited has submitted his explanation requesting to drop further action against him.

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5. After careful examination of the matter and based on the records made available, Government have provisionally decided to impose penalty of withholding of 10% pension for a period of two years on Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Hindupur, Ananthapur District (now retired) besides recovery of misappropriated amount of Rs.68,759/- from his pensionary benefits, under Rule-9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980. A show cause notice as required under the said rules, was served on the charged officer vide reference 4th read above.

6. In the reference 5th read above, the charged officer has submitted his explanation thereon requesting to consider his explanation and to drop further action against him for the reasons mentioned therein.

7. Government after examination of the matter with reference to the records made available and by taking the explanation of the charged officer into consideration, have decided to confirm the provisional decision of imposing punishment of 'withholding of 10% pension for a period of two years' besides recovery of misappropriated amount of Rs.68,759/- from his pensionary benefits and sought the advice of T.S.P.S.C. vide reference 6th read above.

8. The Principal Secretary, TSPSC, in his letter 7th read above, has conveyed the concurrence of the Commission on the proposal of the Government and advised accordingly.

9. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, hereby impose the penalty of withholding of 10% pension for a period of two (02) years against Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Hindupur, Ananthapur District (now retired) besides recovery of misappropriated amount of Rs.68,759/- from his pensionary benefits, under Rule-9 of the T.S.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

10. A copy of the letter 7th read above received from the Principal Secretary, TSPSC, is herewith furnished to Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Hindupur, Ananthapur District (now retired), as required under Rule 44 of TSCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

11. The Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens, Hyderabad shall take necessary further follow up action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

D. DIVYA,
SPECIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

Sri I.Mallesham, the then Principal Govt. Residential School for Visually Handicapped, Hindupur, Ananthapur District (now retired) **through** the Director, WD & SC, Hyderabad (w.e).

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The Director, Welfare of Disabled & Senior Citizens Department,
Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Accountant General (A&E), T.S., Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Vigilance Commissioner, Telangana Vigilance Commission,
Secretariat.

The Principal Secretary, T.S. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
SF/SCs.

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SECTION OFFICER